

# HIPUtah

*Utah Comprehensive  
Health Insurance  
Pool Newsletter*

## LOW INCOME SUBSIDY PREMIUM WAIVER PROGRAM

HIPUtah has some exciting news. Due to receiving a federal grant, HIPUtah has introduced a Low Income Subsidy Premium Waiver Program for HIPUtah Enrollees with moderate or low household income.

HIPUtah Enrollees who have an annual household income below certain levels, for example 300% or lower of the Federal Poverty Level, will qualify for a waiver from one to six months of premiums within a calendar year until the entire grant funds are depleted.

Application is easy – For more information please call HIPUtah's Administrator, SelectHealth, at 801-442-6660 or toll free at 800-705-9173.

## LET THE UTAH LEGISLATURE KNOW HIPUTAH NEEDS THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Funding is the single most important issue facing HIPUtah. HIPUtah's only source of funding is by state appropriations and premiums paid by you, the enrollee. Due to legislative support HIPUtah's annual funding has increased from \$2.9 million to \$10.8 million in the last five years in an effort to cover HIPUtah's cost and keep it financially viable.

To keep HIPUtah on solid financial footing, it will be necessary to cover increasing claims costs and to continue to build up reserves to meet unpredictable fluctuations.

Without continued funding, HIPUtah may have to limit its enrollment, reduce benefits or may become insolvent. Legislative financial support is key to the programs continued success. We strongly encourage you to contact your legislators and ask for their continued support of this program. E-mails, phone calls and faxes are the best ways to communicate with Senators and Representatives (paper mail arrives late after security screenings).

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### CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS

Utah State Senate	<b>801-538-1035</b>
Utah House of Representatives	<b>801-538-1029</b>
Web address	<b><a href="http://www.le.state.ut.us">www.le.state.ut.us</a></b>



## OTHER BENEFIT NOTES

The HIPUtah Board understands that this is a program that helps individuals with high risk medical conditions and has determined it is time to change the lifetime maximum. Effective July 1, 2007 the lifetime maximum limit, the maximum dollar amount that HIPUtah will pay per Enrollee for a lifetime of covered services, will change from \$1 million to \$1.5 million.

Please be aware that twice a year the HIPUtah Board reviews the premiums being charged for the benefit plans that are offered through HIPUtah. If there is a renewal increase on the premiums that decision will be determined by the HIPUtah Board and not HIPUtah's Administrator, SelectHealth.

## PRODUCER REFERRAL FEE

HIPUtah is now offering a one-time \$50 referral fee to Producers, who help an individual make application to enroll into the HIPUtah program. There is a new section on the HIPUtah application that must be completed in order for Producers to receive the referral fee after the new enrollee's first premium payment is processed as paid by HIPUtah's Administrator, SelectHealth. For more information or to get a HIPUtah application please call 801-442-6660 or toll free at 800-705-9173.

Please note that payment can only be made to an individual Producer, not an agency.



## CARE AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Helping members maintain healthy lives is a top priority for HIPUtah and its administrator, SelectHealth. SelectHealth has care managers, trained registered nurses, who are available to assist those with special needs. They can coordinate services between providers, patients, and SelectHealth. Through the disease management program, members can receive educational materials, newsletters, follow-up phone calls, and additional support. The program covers the following areas:

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| • Allergies and Rhinitis | • Congestive Heart Failure | • Hepatitis C         | • Migraines |
| • Asthma                 | • Depression               | • High-Risk Pregnancy | • Oncology  |
| • Cholesterol            | • Diabetes                 | • Hypertension        |             |

A SelectHealth representative often contacts members immediately following certain diagnoses to see if they would like the assistance of a care manager. However, we encourage members to contact us if they have questions or feel that someone they know would benefit from these services.

To contact a disease manager, please call **801-442-5305** (Salt Lake area) or **800-442-5305**. For more information, visit [www.selecthealth.org/wellness](http://www.selecthealth.org/wellness).

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT CHANGES

Please be aware that due to a legislative change effective July 1, 2007 if an individual's employer pays any part of the individual's health insurance premium, either as an insured or a dependent, for HIPUtah coverage they will no longer be eligible.

# SelectHealth Member Discounts

We know embracing a healthy lifestyle is more convenient when it costs less. As a member of SelectHealth, you can access discounts on health-related products and services by simply showing your member ID Card.

Discounts are available on the following products:

## EYEWEAR

COMPANY	FRAMES AND LENSES	CONTACT LENSES	NON-RX SUNGLASSES
Eyemasters	30% off	Everyday low prices	20% off
Knighton Vision	20 to 30% off	Everyday low prices	25% off
Moran Eye Center	20 to 30% off	10% off	20% off*
ShopKo	20% off	10% off	10% off
Standard Optical	35% off	10% off	25% off

\*See store for details.

## HEALTH CLUBS AND FITNESS CENTERS

There are various discounts available on enrollment and membership fees at over 100 health clubs and fitness centers in Utah. For a list of gyms by county, visit [www.selecthealth.org/discounts](http://www.selecthealth.org/discounts).

## ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Save up to 25 percent on chiropractic services, massage therapy, and acupuncture services through a program called Healthyroads, which is administered by American Specialty Health (ASH).

## VITAMINS AND NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS

Our partnership with Healthyroads offers you savings of up to 40 percent on vitamins and nutritional supplements.

## HEARING AIDS

Get up to 15 percent off hearing aids offered through a partnership with Intermountain Healthcare audiology clinics. Visit [www.selecthealth.org/discounts](http://www.selecthealth.org/discounts) for a list of participating clinics.

## DRUG EDUCATION

Save up to \$80 on drug prevention and intervention products offered through DrugTalk™. Their products can help your family communicate about the effects of drug use and abuse.

For more discount information, call Member Services at 801-442-5038 (Salt Lake area) or 800-538-5038 or visit [www.selecthealth.org/discounts](http://www.selecthealth.org/discounts).



*Products and services offered through SelectHealth member discounts are not covered benefits and are not paid for by SelectHealth. These discounts are in addition to your health plan benefits. SelectHealth does not endorse or warrant in any way the products and/or services offered by participating vendors. Discounts and vendors may be subject to change without notice.*



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